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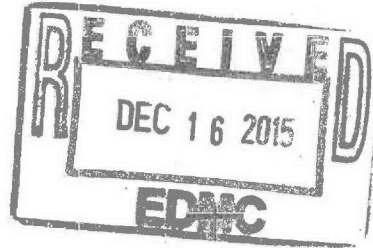
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Re: Letter 16-AMRP-0037, dated November 30, 2015, "Remedial Investigation Report for the 200-BP-5 Groundwater Operable Unit, DOE/RL-2009-127, Draft A and Remedial Investigation Report for the 200-PO-1 Groundwater Operable Unit Addendum 1, DOE/RL-2009-85 ADD1, Draft A"

Dear Mr. Corey:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) approves the request for a 90-day extension to address our decision to suspend our review of the two remedial investigation reports referenced above. The new due date is January 21, 2016.

We agree that this extension will allow the United States Department of Energy – Richland Operations Office and Ecology enough time to consult on the issues related to the fate and transport modeling of potential impacts to the groundwater.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Whalen, Cleanup Section Manager, at cheryl.whelen@ecy.wa.gov or (509) 372-7972, or Nina Menard, Environmental Restoration Project Manager, at nina.menard@ecy.wa.gov or (509) 372-7941.

Sincerely,

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